

Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the Abstract beginning on page 60, line 4, with the following:

The invention features methods for delivering a polypeptide to the bloodstream of a subject by introduction of a nucleic acid construct into secretory gland ~~cells~~(~~e.g.~~, **cells (e.g.,** cells of salivary gland, pancreas, or liver). In general, the method involves introduction of a nucleic acid construct into a secretory gland duct, which introduction results in expression of a gene product encoded by the introduced construct and delivery of the gene product into the bloodstream of the subject.